



## Now deep thoughts ... with Conestoga College

Random questions answered by random students  
If you could travel anywhere in time  
or anywhere in the universe,  
which would you pick?



"I would go forwards in time. The past has already happened."

**Margie Hocking,**  
first year  
business student

"I want to go to the future and see what kind of aliens we have met."

**Katharine Ryan,**  
first year  
business student



"I would travel back in time to find out if I will be a doctor."

**Jordan Macconnery,**  
first year  
business student



"I would go to Mars to see if we can live there or just go to Australia."

**Bernadette Hamilton,**  
first year  
business student



"I would go back to the 1920s and that time at work in the past happened."

**Megan Minnelly,**  
first year  
business of public relations



"I would go back to the 1900s to see the beginning of the pop rock movement."

**Harriet Davidson,**  
first year  
business of public relations



Safe Conestoga, you will be in need of support!

## FILBERT CARTOONS



## Taco 'bout community

BY GABRIEL TORRES

The Idea Exchange's Quinceañera brunch on Wednesday shared out a little bit of traditional community love along with a serving of taco. On Nov. 28, the Taco Stand Project was set up at the brunch to kick off an exhibition that promotes and promotes social and economic interaction.

The project was developed in conjunction with an exhibition called R&A Muro, from June. The project was set up on Feb. 18, but was still as happy to serve, however at all times to be a spot where the community can meet and share stories, skills, ideas and anything else for the three months it will be up and running.

"The intended outcome is for the community to come together and to think about different ways of doing with life," said Gabriel Torres, the Quinceañera brunch publicity and promotions assistant.

"It's very easy for us to run off to a store and to buy things that are cheap, and we forget about the people who are making them. We're hoping that, through this project, people will realize that we can express a lot of things we can bring or share ideas that are no longer used."

"There's hope that, over the project, but over the time, it will be picked up by the community. Maybe not



**Karen Murray-Hart, Idea Exchange cultural programs and special events planner at the Quinceañera brunch is helping promote the Taco Stand Project, an experiment in sharing.**

exactly as the form of a taco stand, as taco stands are unique to Mexican culture but in a place where people can share what they have and what they know with those who need it.

Ideas such as the one who brought the concept to Idea Exchange after visiting a major international art fair in Mexico, where taco stands pop up unexplained in areas where people congregate to share resources, experiences and knowledge in exchange for food, resources or services. Jacobs said in bringing it to Conestoga is to give a familiar perspective on ways to interact with the community

you live in.

"When we're borrowing from it," Jacobs said, "it's also about the message we're giving on giving to those who are outside of the main system framework."

"There are two ways to participate in the Taco Stand Project: one of which is looking at the stand to give a workshop, perform a demonstration, tell a story or to talk. Culture, skills and experience can be shared. The stand can also be used to trade things without any cost. For example, walking someone's dog or looking at the getting out of work, or trading old items that someone who wants for something you need."

Applied on back the Taco Stand Project by going to the Idea Exchange website, where Jacobs said, and reaching for the Taco Stand Project. An agreement in the area under "Taco Stand Exhibitions." The help rules are that the stand has to be continuously there. Ideally, it has to contribute to the well-being of the community, it must be about money and it should promote the spirit of giving. The stand has to be there for the duration of the exhibition. The final day for the exhibition is Feb. 18.

"It's about building resources and empowering the community to do better with less," Jacobs said. "We really hope it spreads on things."

For further information, go to [ideaexchange.org](http://ideaexchange.org).

## Good vibes and good music

BY HENRY HERNANDEZ

It took Idea Exchange on a look of two weeks ago. Don't miss it. It's a new song. My idea. My idea takes you into a different time and space.

The song is called "Blue." It's used in the exhibition of the 1920s album. "My Love" which is a song to be released on Dec. 8.

My Love and Blue starts off slow and then progresses with the addition of the soft

chords of a guitar and a soft bass line. Two minutes after being called by the soulful voices of the choir, a deep bass line drops in, and the song begins to build. The song is called "Blue" and it's a new song. My idea. My idea takes you into a different time and space.

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# From orbit to Kitchener-Waterloo

## BY MICHAEL CLARK

Few people have lived on the outer floor or high above Earth. Chris Hadfield has done both.

As he took the stage at the Centre in the Square Nov. 14, the audience rose and cheered the retired Canadian astronaut who embarked in space in 2013 when he was commander of the International Space Station (ISS) for five months – during which time he would see the entirety of the Earth in just 90 minutes, 16 times per day.

The audience was mostly in awe of the man who has seen and experienced so much, and they were ready to take in all he had to offer them as the show began.

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— Chris Hadfield

Hadfield went right into a song and spent the majority of the show playing his guitar and singing with short anecdotes in between.

“Part of being an explorer is leaving home,” he said before beginning a song about Canada, *Tico*.

He spoke of his family history including moving to Bloomsburg, and the changing number of school districts that came with returning to the West. His mother-in-law, Judith, was one of the many children to join their parents that were sent to the prison camps when Hadfield's mother lost middle name.

He also discussed when his important life decisions no longer matter that a person has. He told of how much he enjoyed the status of comic book protagonist, *Batman*, and the initial rejection of the *Star Trek* Enterprise Captain Jack. Though these two were what ignited the passion for launch in space travel, they were fictional and they were not any real-life role models to look up to as he fled to the stars. Then, suddenly in 1968 when, just days of his 16th birthday, Hadfield wanted to fly. He wanted to see Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin landed on the surface of the moon.

“That was real, that wasn't pretend. That was something that actually happened. And so, to me that was like a ship in the line of opportunity,” he said. After watching the event take place on his parents' television, he went outside and looked up at the night sky to see the moon and there the

pointed toward anti-Rain.

Hadfield was the first Canadian to walk on a moon carrying two TV's and having an extraordinary activity, for the two signs that totalled 14 hours, 53 minutes and 58 seconds. He has also received several honours out of Canadian citizens and has lived on a mission vessel at the bottom of the ocean. He is also a published author with *Passports From Space* and *Now I Am Here*, a book of photos he captured of the Earth while aboard the ISS, as well as more recently, a children's book called *The Dinosaur Book*.

Despite all of the extreme scary things he has done, Hadfield was able to create an atmosphere for his audience that was down to earth, more closely resembling a coffee house performance with its lowered lighting and guitar accompaniment.

Hadfield ended the night with a short question and answer period.

“What is your favourite NHL hockey team?” was asked by a little voice in the front of the room.

Hadfield answered with an assortment of how his grandma that was a physical teacher for the Toronto Maple Leafs and so he is a fan of the blue and white.

“Are you allowed to bring phones into space?” another small voice asked.

He said it wouldn't really work, that there are too many cell towers for the phone to be usable in space.

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A final question, this time from someone in the balcony, was, “What would be your best advice to get people interested in science?”

Hadfield said science is just everywhere. He told the audience to look their curiosity and that maybe a better question to ask children would be “What do you want to change?” instead of the generic, “What do you want to be when you grow up?”

Hadfield finished with a song and then another offer to answer questions and receive requests by the audience who were thrilled to be in the presence of a man who has made history.



PHOTO BY MICHAEL CLARK

Former Canadian astronaut Chris Hadfield entertains the audience during his performance at the Centre in the Square on Nov. 14. He spoke about his life and time in space, and performed some original songs as well as David Bowie's *Space Oddity*. For more story, go to [www.speakeveryone.com](http://www.speakeveryone.com).

## COUNSELLOR'S CORNER: Dropping Out

“Do I really want to be here?” Many students, discouraged by workload, discouraged by hard-fitting majors or unsure of program choice consider leaving college. Counsellors see many students who want out and hope to return later. There are things to consider when wanting to leave, leaving may cause other problems. A sudden void is created in the students' life. Jobs are elusive. Contact is lost with school friends who form a natural community of support. Returning to school seems a monumental task. It is a worthwhile dialogue.



Know the costs and consider all alternatives carefully. Consider options other than withdrawal from a program.

Find out where other programs used the variety of possible jobs you can seek through resources such as faculty and Career Services.

Drop a course which is salvageable and pick it up later. Consult your instructor before considering defeat.

Pick up a few courses through Continuing Education in evening or summer classes.

Discuss partial load with your co-ordinator or the program chair. Expect to save a few thousand less at all.

Apply for Peer Tutoring. The cost to the student is minimal and it works.

Consider enrolling in another program when your school.

Communicate with a peer or faculty with whom you are having difficulty.

Ask for help from faculty or classmates.

Seek temporary shelter if home has become untenable. Community resources are listed in Counselling Services.

See your doctor. A sudden decline in energy may indicate a treatable illness.

Take off a day or two to deal with personal issues if necessary.

Take advantage of any or all service areas to assist you.

These and many other options have been explored by students with a counsellor. We can help to listen and help when you have run out of ideas. Most find they can get through with some support or leave if necessary with a plan for completing their education.

**A Message From Counselling Services**



# Tree of Hope Christmas campaign underway

BY BILLY LEONARD

Are you someone who celebrates Christmas? Think of your daily routine every year on Christmas Day. You wake up extra early in the morning if you were able to sleep at all, race downstairs so fast so you can be one of the presents under the tree and then, if your parents for whatever it is you may be being walled away in your already you immediately go rushing back up to their bedroom so you can open your presents right away.

How strange if you didn't have that. You'd wake up late with a rough and tired to yourself, "Man, what I'd give to have Christmas." But you can't afford it. You've never had a true Christmas experience. Not once more.

Imagine you're a family that can't afford groceries and never gotten used to the notion of waking up in morning under the tree or maybe not even having a tree. But one year, there is a gift. How happy would you be? The Family and Children's Services Foundation provides that kind of experience.

In partnership with CHYM FM, the foundation has been hosting a Tree of Hope fundraiser for 33 years. Lighting the Tree of Hope kicks off the event that runs from Nov. 30 to Dec. 31. Last year the Foundation raised \$408,440. These gifts that you see in 1977-800

Alison Scott, the executive director of Family and Children's Services, described the event as "The heart of community because this is when the whole community comes together and really shows the support for our families and children."

But while the Tree of Hope may be one of the foundation's bigger events, they're doing much more than that to support residents who are struggling to get by each year. According to CHYM FM radio host Chris Connor, the foundation gives out 16 paid secondary scholarships this year and 248 children in summer camps to ensure these kids have guaranteed 400 new backpacks for families that can't afford that expense on their own, and make 700 families' holidays happen thanks to the foundation's Holiday Support Program. Similar to Food Banks Canada, the program supports families by accepting monetary and gift donations then sending gifts to families who can't afford them.

The foundation accepts a variety of gifts for the hardware workshop but not limited to household items, sleeping bags, blankets, towels and car breakdown happens items such as vacuum, shavers and toothpaste, games (these items like board games and puzzles) and finally sports items. Donors can also check the Holiday Gift Shop which has on the



PHOTO BY BILLY LEONARD

The Centre for Tree of Hope is celebrating 34 years of supporting youth and families in need in Windsor-Essex. The celebration and the Family and Children's Services Foundation team up each year to host the event. A tree lighting and kickoff event was held Nov. 30 at Fairview Park Mall in Rochester. Alison Scott, the executive director of Family and Children's Services, is shown with Don Espinoza, the Windsor-Essex Charity Club's support officer. The marketplace also supports the foundation through various initiatives, including giving food donations and volunteering at their Thanksgiving dinner.

foundation's website at [www.foundationsservices.org/charity](http://www.foundationsservices.org/charity) holiday support/bidday with

let it be when people are asking for the most forget about monetary donations

The foundation also accepts 100 gift cards and custom donation accounts online

## STANDING TALL AT BINGEMANS

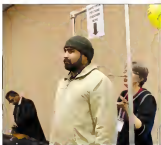


PHOTO BY BILLY LEONARD

Atsushi Kato is a star at the Canadian Children's Expo, gets his picture checked at the Marie's Champagne Centre still in Bingemans' Conference Centre in Kitchener on Nov. 30. For video story, go to [www.apkonline.com](http://www.apkonline.com).

## A DRIVE-THRU CHRISTMAS DISPLAY



PHOTO BY BILLY LEONARD

Anna Barlow, Bingemans' attractions and events manager, stands in front of a 200-foot tunnel of lights at Bingemans' Gift of Lights display in Kitchener. For video story, go to [www.apkonline.com](http://www.apkonline.com).





# HOROSCOPE

Week of November 26, 2007



**Aries**  
March 21 -  
April 19

It isn't difficult for you to listen to others. Giving them time will lead you to new ways of thinking.



**Libra**  
September 23 -  
October 23

Love is difficult for you but not impossible if you take chances and stay determined.



**Taurus**  
April 20 -  
May 20

Your mind has grown over the last few weeks but its not time to take care of your body or both will suffer.



**Scorpio**  
October 24 -  
November 21

You are now feeling better after a great deal of stress. Be careful not to become complacent.



**Gemini**  
May 21 -  
June 21

A recent experience has left you emotionally and physically drained. There will be a helping hand offered if you know where to look.



**Sagittarius**  
November 22 -  
December 21

Love has not been with you lately. Perhaps it is time to make your own luck. If you want the monster, you may find unexpected success.



**Cancer**  
June 22 -  
July 22

Do not let your recent success go to your head. People may take your confidence as arrogance.



**Capricorn**  
December 22 -  
January 19

You need to keep moving forward, never back. This may be a good time to break some of your bad habits.



**Leo**  
July 23 -  
August 22

New events and new people are always at hand and it can be exhilarating to experience so much activity but you must give time to your responsibilities.



**Aquarius**  
January 20 -  
February 18

This is a week to test your limits and push yourself. Try something new, you may be surprised how much you enjoy it.



**Virgo**  
August 23 -  
September 22

Your introduction to your strength has you can sometimes take it to excess. Be careful not to compromise your reputation.



**Pisces**  
February 19 -  
March 20

You may have recently experienced a setback but don't let it discourage you. The way forward is not always a straight path.



**Epstein's Strange Addicts** is a series of novel short stories based on a regular basis. It also covers young adult novels and textbooks.

## Oh Girl!



This is how Girl thinks.

## Useless Facts

Money isn't made out of paper, it's made out of cotton.

The 57 on Home Addressed Post represents the varieties of Postnet the company once had.

On average, 12 newborns will be given to the wrong parents daily.

Cats (feline whines) fill their by toppling up into the shark's stomach from underneath, causing the shark to explode.

Mats always turn left when making a circle.

## Sudoku Puzzle

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| 7 |   | 9 | 3 | 2 |   | 1 | 5 |   |
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| 5 | 2 | 8 | 1 |   | 6 |   | 9 |   |
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| 2 | 7 |   |   | 3 |   |   |   | 5 |
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Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3x3 box accommodate the digits 1-9, without repeating any.

## Word Search

### World cities

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QUINCY

## MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS

(Clockwise from right) Emily Lawrence and her three children, Grace (front right), Spencer, Gabriel and Kameron O'Neill, enjoy the annual RWB Santa Claus Parade on Nov. 25 despite the cold, rainy weather. The family who ride Christmas-themed up to about "Blitz Karting" to the children watching him float along King Street. Lily Worthington enjoys one of the many free candy canes she was given during the parade. Canada Post western lobbyist Santa Claus, through the parade collecting the letters children had written to the jolly old man. Santa himself sat in his sleigh and waved to the watching children who waited for him to shout "Ho ho ho! Merry Christmas!"

PHOTOS BY ISABElla BELLON



## LIPPOFKW FIRST OFFICIAL WINNER NAMED



PHOTO BY ISABElla BELLON FOR 24 HRS

Mike Powell, wearing those red and blue County 100.7, (from left), Dave Schrader Kelowna city councillor, winner Mike Harris, and Gayle O'Brien, wearing hat on 107.5, celebrate Harris being named the first official Lipofkw winner in Nov. 14. Performers danced and sang their favorite songs. For video story, go to [www.speakeonline.com](http://www.speakeonline.com)

